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As Maine went to give the country in 1916 with the Republicans on top the Progressives falling off and the Democrats repulsed.

Having indicated the exact place where the final touches are to be made to the tariff bill, President Wilson has come to his summer home, leaving Congress to finish the work.

One of the outside correspondents reporting the copper country strike says there were "about 7,000 men, women and children" in last Sunday's parade in Calumet. If he counted them all he must have multiplied the number by three and added another thousand for good measure.

The business men of the copper country have now made a try for peace in the strike zone. This is one of the most hopeful movements of all that have been undertaken, comments the Marquette Mining Journal. Certainly the business men are as between the contending parties, distinguished. Both men and mine owners have to be prosperous, if the business men are to prosper. And the business men, while upholding the strong arm of authority, have at the same time displayed to the workmen many kindnesses. They have given credit when they know they were piling up accounts many of which would never be discharged. They have stood between families and want. They ought to have the friendship and confidence of their own in the premises. They are not parties to the strike, did not precipitate it and hold it in great disfavor, but they are among the heaviest sufferers from it. The advantages they have made should receive fair consideration from both the men and the mine owners.

**TARIFF COMMISSION PLAN**  
One of the amendments offered to the tariff bill, and rejected, was by Senator Wadsworth of California, providing for a tariff commission of nine members, with salaries of \$10,000 a year each. The defeat was the result of a vote of 15 to 10, and this is significant, since it shows a strong leaning toward the commission idea. It is interesting to note that the tariff commission has been favored by the business men of the country. It is hoped that we are now done with general and arbitrary tariff revision. Hereafter the revision should be upon specific lines, as the commission plan. To us this move should be a commission of experts to study trade conditions, adjust tariff and adjust Congress with wisdom. No arbitrary revision of the tariff was ever satisfactory, for such it is by the passage of revisionary legislation. As a matter of fact, in a nation where it is to be made and maintained.

**HOME RULE BY JUNE 7TH.**  
This move will certainly win some, and some again, has been inserted into the bill by John Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalists, even as a suggestion which is representative of the government of Premier Asquith. Hereafter he has named no other date. With authority from Mr. Redmond, another Irish member of Parliament, William Gordon of East Lancashire, has informed his constituents that home rule will be the law of Ireland not later than June 7. By this date, he asserts home rule will be placed in the statute books, with the consent of the king, but the interval will be a time of hard work for the Nationalist party.

The home rulers will not be idle. Spurred by the activities of their late opponents, Redmond and his colleagues have arranged a final campaign to be carried on in Ulster and every corner of Great Britain. Approximately six hundred meetings will be held within the next ten months, carrying the convincing arguments of the home rulers to all parts of the kingdom. Already there are indications that when home rule is achieved for Ireland it will be only a beginning. True, Ireland's need was sore and

imperatively demanded earliest attention; but recognition of the justice of the principle of home rule is inspiring agitation in Scotland and in Wales which will not stop till they also have been clothed with authority to manage their domestic affairs.

## THERE IS NO LABOR VOTE.

In his testimony before the House lobby committee President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor denied emphatically that he had promised to swing the labor vote for anyone in the national campaign of 1916. He could not deliver that vote, he said, and furthermore, he would not. He offered no pretensions of being a political "boss."

This we believe is not only a wise position for Mr. Gompers to take but it is a true statement of the situation. The American Federation of Labor is a large and a powerful organization and its ranks include a large number of voters. If all its votes could be delivered by its president that individual would wield a tremendous political power, for he would control somewhere upward of 2,000,000 votes. Such a block of votes, delivered solidly, might well be the determining factor of an election.

But the "labor vote" has never been delivered and it is doubtful if it ever will be. Efforts have been made in the past by labor leaders to enter into politics and have not been successful. Experience has shown that the laboring man retains his political independence and votes according to his own ideas as he should. He does not surrender his vote to someone else to cast for him.

It is the inalienable right and duty of every American citizen to do his own political thinking and this should not be interfered with. The success of the American form of government is founded upon this. No privilege is greater or should be more jealously guarded than that of the ballot. Each citizen should vote as his own judgment dictates and not as someone else, no matter who instructs him. And experience has shown that the voters are loath to give up their political independence, that they insist on exercising their own right and on selecting their own candidates. They will not vote for men they consider unsuited for office because they are advised to do so, nor will they turn down the men their own judgment tells them are suited for office because they are instructed to vote for someone else. Their political liberty is one thing they have not given up.

This we believe is as it should be, and this view appears to be held now by Mr. Gompers. On that charge at least he is absolved; he did not deliver the labor vote for any national candidate in the election of 1912. There is no such thing as the labor vote, for each laboring man is first of all a citizen, with an appreciation of the privileges and the duties that fact entails.

## LINCOLN'S STEPMOTHER

In the October Woman's Home Companion Anne Bryan McCall writes an article entitled "A Woman's Influence," in which she shows how every human being exercises a powerful influence over other people whether occupying a conspicuous position or not. Following is an extract from her article in which she mentions Lincoln's stepmother as a woman, who, without knowing it, helped to mold one of the greatest figures in the world's history.

"I often think of the stepmother of Lincoln as an example of the deep and quiet and far-reaching power of a woman, a woman who thinks and loves. A commonplace woman no doubt most people thought her, and she probably thought herself so too; a woman certainly, whose daily work was humble enough to all appearances, a pioneer woman meeting the many needs of the rough and hard pioneer life—that was all she seemed to be.

"If any one of you had seen her in the little rough log cabin, working at the homely, never-ending household tasks while the boy Lincoln lay stretched before the fire reading one of the few books that that life and community afforded, you would hardly have thought of her as a woman of influence. Yet those deft hands of hers that you think of mainly as washing dishes and cooking food and doing other sundry homely tasks were molding, helping to mold all the while—no one knows just how far that help went—a nation's destinies. For the boy Lincoln was growing up under her influence, was growing to be that man to whom a whole great nation will always render loving homage. When he became a great man Lincoln loved to acknowledge that it was to the wise, just and far-reaching influence of his stepmother—this plain, hard-working woman, remember—that he owed most that was good and influential in himself.

## FIERCE!

It is enough to make a man fighting mad after he has told his best yarn to have some one remark that "he always did like that story."—New Orleans Picayune.

## DIAGNOSIS

The main feature of fusion in the municipal campaign in New York appears to be wobbling on the gudgeon. —Knoxville Journal.

## State Notes

**HOLLAND**—Holland voters will be given an opportunity to vote for a municipal gas plant at a special election Monday, October 6.

**BATTLE CREEK**—The Michigan State Osteopathic association will meet in Detroit October 29-30, this decision having been made here at a session of the executive board.

**MARSHALL**—Earl B. Mead, whose wife is alleged to have fled to Cleveland with another man, was granted a divorce by Judge North Monday.

**KALAMAZOO**—Late estimates of the fire damage at Hooper, lumbering village in Allegan county, place it at \$50,000. Thousands of feet of timber were destroyed.

**SAGINAW**—Addison T. Mifflin, artist, and his wife, who were killed in an auto accident near Norwalk, Conn., were well known in Saginaw county.

**KALAMAZOO**—George Leinbach, who was arrested by federal authorities and taken to Lapeere for operating an alleged confidence game, was released Monday for lack of evidence.

**CROSVILLE**—The horse sheds at the Crosville fair grounds were destroyed by fire Monday morning, causing the death of two valuable horses which were to have appeared at the race meet here this week.

**HOLLAND**—Rev. William De Groot has resigned his pastorate in Holland to represent the Holland Christian Reformed church as missionary among the Mormons in Utah.

**HASTINGS**—The city council has decided to submit to a vote of the taxpayers, October 22, a proposition to bond the city for \$12,000 for the construction of a reinforced concrete bridge across the Thornapple river at Broadway.

**ADRIAN**—The Page Fence company has closed contracts for the manufacture of 40,000 windshields, thus introducing the first auto accessory industry in Adrian. The new branch will furnish employment to 200 men.

**HILLSDALE**—Samuel Clay, of Litchfield, has completed his own coffin. Clay lives alone in a small shop where he builds furniture. The coffin, which he expects to be buried in, is said to be an excellent piece of workmanship.

**JACKSON**—The old power house at the prison is to be remodeled, commencing this week, for manual training purposes and a course which will embrace the teaching of all studies given in the public schools as far as the ninth grade.

**OWASSO**—Perry Berner and Miss Edwina Knapp were married Sunday night. They were attended by Louis H. Williams and Hazel Frederick, who were also wedding following the ceremony, the newly married couple acting in turn as bridesmaid and best man.

**POTOSKEY**—Preparations to bury James McClinton Monday were halted by coroner Nihart, who at the last moment discovered suspicious circumstances surrounding the man's death. McClinton was found dead on a cot in

rooms over a local saloon Saturday morning.

**VASSAR**—W. R. Smith, 82 years old, of Cass City, a Civil war veteran, who says he was robbed of his pension money by two men near the Pere Marquette station Saturday night was sent home Monday. No trace of the men has been found.

**HILLSDALE**—When a stranger presented a \$45 check at the Grosvener bank in Jonesville Monday, made out on White Brothers, Teller Richard Varnum decided to consult Charles G. and Oliver White, officers of the bank. The stranger fled, as the check was a forgery.

**HILLSDALE**—Hillsdale college Monday opened its fifty-eighth school year. Secretary G. A. Jackson expects that the enrollment for the year will show 500 students representing a dozen or more states. The Christian workers' course this year supplants the Free Baptist theological course.

**ADRIAN**—William Wetherbee, confessed violator of the local option law, Monday was sentenced by Judge O'Malley to spend 90 days in the Detroit house of correction and to pay a fine of \$100 and \$20 costs. In default of fine Wetherbee will serve out the maximum six months' sentence.

**OWASSO**—William Maloney, 29 years old, is suffering from complete paralysis of the lower part of the body as the result of being hurled 50 feet to the ground when an auto in which he was riding with a party of Owosso and Cornish young men dashed over a 15-foot embankment late Sunday night.

## SURPRISED MARY

She had engaged a maid from the country and was now employed in showing her newly acquired treasure over the house and enlightening her in regard to various duties, etc.

At last they reached the best room. "These," said the mistress of the house, pausing before an extensive row of masculine portraits, "these are very valuable and you must be very careful when dusting. They are 'old masters'."

Mary's jaw dropped and a look of intense wonder overspread her ruddy face. "Lor, mum," she gasped, looking with bulging eyes on the face of her new employer, "lor, mum, who'd ever have thought you'd been married all these times?"—Pittsburgh Chronicle Telegraph.

## SPOIL THE NICE WATER

There was an amusing incident at the opening of Kelsey park, Beckenham, the other day.

Mr. John Burns, who performed the several times by a man who evidently disapproved of him, and whose remarks were not in the best of taste. After a little the crowd became tired of the man's objectionable attitude.

"Chuck him in the lake," somebody shouted. "No, no, no!" cried Mr. Burns, hastily. "You mustn't do that! Don't you know there are heavy penalties for polluting the water?"—Pearson's Weekly.

## RIGHT PLACE

Probably Thaw would have had less trouble had he gone to Mexico.—Omaha World-Herald.

## BURDENSOME NAMES.

Include Hundreds of Sad Examples of Weak Parental Wit.

The most burdensome name ever bestowed on a child was that given by Arthur Pepper, a laundryman of West Derby, Liverpool, to his daughter born in December, 1882. It comprised one name for every letter of the alphabet and was certainly ingenious in its way, running: Anna Bertha Cecilia Diana Emily Fanny Gertrude Hypatia Inez Jane Kate Louise Maud Nora Opelia Quince Rebecca Starkey Teresa Ulysis Venus Winifred Xenophon Yveta Zeno. P. of course, was provided in the surname, Pepper.

Hundreds of examples of this poor form of parental wit occur in the entries for the past few years. Noah's Ark Smith, Scudine Ross, Jolly Death, Judas Iscariot Brown, One-to-Many Johnson, Not-Wanted Smith, Horril Simpson, Merry Christmas Piggott, Odious Heaton, Anno Domini Davis are the names of children probably living who will have to bear them through life, unless they wash themselves clean with subterfuge. How can such children observe the Fifth commandment?

There was for a long time a curiosity in nomenclature on the Australian pension list. His name was "Through-much-troubleation-we-enter-the-Kingdom-of-Heaven Smith." The officials of the pension department very pardonably abbreviated him into "Tribly Smith." Has any diligent student of our pension list discovered anything like this?

It is not surprising that the names of Dickens' characters—odd though they are—should be found in real life, for it was from life that many of them were taken. Some, as we know, were copied from the names over shop doors, etc., but this was not the novelist's only source of selection. Among his papers John Forster found carefully drawn-up lists of names, with the sources from which he obtained them, and the longest lists were those drawn from the "Privy Council Education Lists." Some of the names thus noted are too extravagant for anything but reality—Jolly Stick, Bill Marigold, George Muzzle, William Why, Robert Gospel, Robert Scrumdiddly, Sarah Goldsacks, Catherine Two, Sophia Doornmeyer, Rosetta Rust, Sally Gimblet.

For quaint surnames one should search the records of Northumberland. A. G. Bradley has made a collection of some of these Northumbrian patronymics. He is writing of the times of the Border raids, and there was a Robert Enkbank in those days. Among others, too, we find the name of Adam Asdrunken who "upset his boat in the Tyne, and accidentally drowned his wife, Beatrice." Cecilia, the wife of John Unkithman (uncommon), cut her throat with a razor. "Another unfortunate person figured as Adam-with-the-nose"—Titbits.

## HOPEFUL

The fact that Niagara once ran dry revives hope that some day tariff discussions may come to an end.—Washington Post.

## THE USUAL WAY

Americans are reluctant to leave Mexico. They, as is the habit of the innocent bystander, want to be on the spot when the thing blows up.—Rochester Herald.



A Rabbit Bit a Piece Out of the Pear.

## Daddy's Bedtime Story—

The Pear That Didn't Stick To Its Twig.

JACK and Evelyn came upstairs, each with a nice yellow pear.

"Mother gave them to us because we have minded everything she said today," the children said.

"That's fine," daddy replied. "Then those pears ought to taste nice."

"And we're going to share them with you, daddy, dear," they added.

"You may have a bite of mine first," Evelyn invited. So daddy took a bite of Evelyn's pear—not a great big greedy bite, but a nice small polite bite.

Then he took a bite of Jack's pear, and after that he said he had thought of a story to tell them, and the story was to be about a pear.

"It was a fine big pear, and it grew away up on top of the tree," said he.

"Every morning the sun woke it up, and the little birds sang to it as it rocked on its limb. It had a lovely place to grow."

"Now and then the people to whom the tree belonged would come out to look at the fruit."

"That's one of the handsomest pears I've ever seen," the farmer said to his wife.

"Yes, indeed. I've no doubt it would take a prize at the county fair," his wife replied.

"I think I'll save it for that. Up there on top of the tree it is quite safe from harm," the farmer answered. "It can hang there until the fair opens."

"What's the county fair?" the pear asked, and the old mother tree answered him.

"The fair is a place where the people of the county take the best of everything that they have grown so that others may see it. To be taken to the fair is an honor, and I am proud that you, my child, are to go. Do your best to grow large and sweet and handsome, so that the persons who have charge of the fair will give our good friend the farmer a nice prize."

"I'm tired staying up here at the top of this old tree," the pear grumbled.

"It's lonesome, and I wish I was down below, where I could see something."

"A naughty little gust of wind going by heard him and came back with a puff and a shake. The pear was so busy plying himself that he had forgotten to hold tight to his twig, as little pears should do, and down he went to the ground."

"One cheek was bruised where he fell, and in the night a little rabbit hopped up and bit a piece out of the other cheek."

"In the morning when the farmer picked up the pear he shook his head sadly. 'It isn't even fit for the table now,' he said as he threw it into a clump of bushes, where the ants and the rabbits soon finished it."

## - Queries and Replies -

## What is neurasthenia?

It is the technical or medical name for nervous debility or prostration; it is derived from the Greek neuron, nerve and asthenia, weakness.

What was the percentage in the west of the vote there on the recall of officials as compared with the vote at the elections?

In Los Angeles and Seattle, where the recall has been tested, the vote at special recall elections has been very heavy and about up to the vote polled at the general election. Wherever the recall has been put in use it has been found that interest in the election has been great, making any campaign of education unnecessary to bring out the full vote.

Kindly give the meaning or translation of the phrase or two words "Sel wohl."

It is German, literally "be well," about the same as our keep well or take care of yourself.

Where can the quotation, "Where MacGregor sits, there is the head of the table," be found?

This quotation can be found in Emerson's "American Scholar," where he attributes it to one of the leaders of the

Macdonald clan of Scotland. Others have credited the saying to a chief of the famous clan MacGregor, and there seems to be no definite authority as to its origin. Cervantes, in his "Don Quixote," gives us a saying of puffed meaning as follows: "Sit there, clod-pate," cried he; "for let me sit where ever I will, that will still be the upper end and the place of worship to thee."

Was Detroit ever the capital of Michigan?

Yes, from 1805 to 1847. From 1796, when it first came into possession of the United States, it was called Fort Shelby until 1812, when it was incorporated as Detroit.

Kindly explain the meaning of potlatch as the word has been used in connection with the recent festival in Seattle.

It is a corruption of an Indian word, common among the Pacific coast tribes, meaning a festival of gifts. At a potlatch (pronounced celebration) the more personal property an Indian gives away, blankets, ornaments, etc., the higher he stands in the estimation of his neighbors and the more he expects to receive in return at the next potlatch. The festival is also accompanied by music, dancing and feasting.

Life Savers of Nation's Mines  
Heroes of Underground World

Photograph by American Press Association.

MEMBERS of the Mine Safety association planned an interesting program for the annual convention of the organization at Pittsburgh, Sept. 28. It was arranged to illustrate all the latest methods of saving life in the mines of America, and many experts were ready to read interesting papers on rescue work. Mine life savers were prepared to give demonstrations of how they operated in order to save the lives of those overcome by explosions of fire in coal mines. The picture shows the type of mine life savers who operate in this country. Their work is extremely dangerous, and they are indeed heroes whenever there is a disaster.

